

MINE CONFLICT DUE TO STRIKE STRATEGY **HELIGOLAND HAS DAILY JULY FOURTH**

<p>Union Could Not Have Successful Walkout Without Coveted Region.</p>	<p>Island Is Tortured by Blasts Levelling Great German Forts.</p>
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Unorganized Miners in Mingo District Influenced by Strong Local Feeling.

By a Staff Correspondent of This New York Herald.

LOGAN, W. Va., Sept. 10.—Why did six thousand union miners in the rich bituminous coal regions of West Virginia deliberately defy the authorities of a sovereign State, and the constitution and laws of the United States, rise in armed and organized rebellion and attempt to force their way with rifle and machine gun bullets into

The answer to this question is being doubtless sought gravely by millions of law abiding American citizens who have been kept in the dark by the propaganda between the union miners of Payette, Kanawha and Boone counties on the one side of Spruce Fork Ridge and the citizens of the town of Payette on the other, and other counties on the other side. Only by the intervention of 2,000 Federal troops was the insurrection suppressed yesterday.

The regular soldiers were not fired upon by the miners who ceased their operations.

operations and laid down their arms in the early days of the war. He had kept up the battle in the mountain fastnesses after the President of the Republic had been elected in accordance with the constitution and in its name commanded them to disperse and return to their homes.

The leaders of the United Mine Workers, the organization of which the union

coal miners of the country are members, have found out that they cannot conduct a successful strike so long as the mines in the southwest corner of this State, rich with a practically inexhaustible supply of soft coal, are continued in operation. That is the reason, as it

is understood by the dwellers in this region, why the outside union miners made such a desperate effort to extend the union into this section. The union miners themselves do not deny it when the question is put to them point blank, but usually give a direct answer and talk of the "gunmen and those in the employ of the coal operators" in these non-union fields, or doubly assert that they are fighting for their "constitutional rights."

There are lots of very rough characters in Logan, Mingo and McDowell counties, Kentucky, a man not so called as serious an offense as stealing by

A certain widely respected citizen has killed several union miners while acting as a law officer and is rather proud of the title of "Murder King," which the miners have given to him. At least

he has the habit of telling everybody about it and grinning like a fool. To be sold with the Magnificent Col. Duncan Stewart, including a Weber Baby Grand, gold Suite, Dining Room in Mahogany. At the same time we will be removed from the a Louis Buettgenbach of the

the country into a position which it was
insist that the operators yield to their
demands, was a failure because, although
soft coal mines were brought to a stand-
still in other parts of the country, coal
continued to pour in a great black
stream out of this non-unionized region

sufficient to keep the railroads and the great industrial plants of the nation from closing down completely.

Hopeless Aspect Seen.

The success of any union effort in any part of the country to force increased

part of the country to secure
wages or special working conditions
of the unions' own choosing on the mine
owners is well nigh hopeless from the
start so long as this great reservoir can
be drawn upon.

The leaders of the insurrection, who

to-day show signs of breaking out on a large scale again along the Kentucky-West Virginia border, demand the right to send their organizers and agitators into these non-union fields. They declare, apparently with considerable justification, that the county authorities

and the State authorities will not permit them to exercise this right.

They insist that if a chance were offered the non-union miners of these counties would gladly join the union, something which still remains to be decided, of which there is certainly

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proved and of which there is certainly no surface evidence.

THE NEW YORK HERALD correspondent found no individual or heard of any who would raise his voice here in defence of the tactics of the union miners, or who was indignant because he was be-

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ing intimidated by anybody. That many miners here would join the unions if local public feeling was not so strongly against it is altogether likely, but there is no apparent indication that any considerable portion of them would do so.

The men of Logan, Mingo, McDowell,

Cabell and nearby counties who fought back the 8,000 attacking miners for eight trying days and nights, shedding much of their own blood and losing their lives to make good their slogan, "They shall not pass," are certainly not all summer and things at the mine leaders.

contend. They came from every walk of life. They were lawyers, merchants, doctors, farmers, non-union miners and clerks. They were all volunteers and served without pay.

The cost of the struggle to Logan County was \$25,000.

county has been estimated at \$33,000 a day, or something like \$230,000 for the whole battle. Special trains were hired, automobiles rented and entire hotels taken over. Thousands of dollars were spent in modern rifles, machine guns, ammunition and food supplies. Tele-

graph lines were run for miles through the mountains like a great fan to the outposts on the fighting front.

Union miners assert that the coal operators are paying or will pay for all of these things. Probably they will. Nobody denies that in Logan county.

The outside observer is impressed with the fact that the great struggle is between a comparatively small group of men who want to get into their own hands the enormous power to throttle the economic life of the country over night and those who, whatever their real

motives may be, are attempting to perpetrate a condition which will prevent the exercise of such power.

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